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Washington Whispers

Groping for ways to deal with the Iran crisis, National Security Adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski is calling in more outside experts. Not only is former Under Secretary of State George Ball sitting in on Iran policy talks, but also Richard Helms, former CIA director and ambassador to Iran, is being consulted.

Reports are flying that CIA chief Stansfield Turner will be moved to another job because of intelligence-foulups—possibly to replace Alexander Haig as head of NATO. Turner's successor? John DeButts, retiring head of American Telephone & Telegraph, is said to be a top candidate.